

Where do hazardous fuels treatments fit in the big picture?

Fuel treatments are one of the key components of the [National Fire Plan](#). Additionally, the [National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy](#) looks at a three pronged approach to reducing fires with a focus on:

- **Resilient Landscapes**
- **Fire adapted communities**
- **Effective fire response**

Vision for this strategy:

Safely and effectively extinguish fire when needed; use fire where allowable; manage our natural resources; and as a Nation, [learn to] live with wildland fire.

A key to this strategy is to reduce fuel concentrations and threats of uncharacteristic wildfires, especially in the wildland urban interface.

Highlights of the Strategy:

Addressing wildfire is not simply a fire management, fire operations, or wildland-urban interface problem—it is a larger, more complex land management and societal issue.

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2019 Southwest Idaho Prescribed Fire Summary Spring/Fall Planned Treatments



Treatments include fuels projects on the Boise and Sawtooth National Forests, Boise District BLM and the Idaho Department of Lands.

Prescribed fire and fuels treatment acres planned for 2019:

- 64,225 acres
- Mechanical fuel treatments: 63,710 acres

For more information:

- www.rxfire.com
- Boise National Forest
RX Hotline (208) 373-4208



Why do we use prescribed fire and mechanical fuels treatments?

By implementing a combination of prescribed fire and mechanical treatments across the landscape, the USDA Forest Service, DOI Bureau of Land Management, and Idaho Department of Lands are working to reduce the risks of large wildfires and improve the health of public lands they are tasked with managing

Fuels treatments reduce fire behavior and severity by:

- Reducing surface fuel accumulations and continuity
- Reducing ladder fuels and raising canopy base heights.
- Reducing stand densities
- Having treatments favor more fire tolerant tree species

Other benefits:

- Reduced insect and disease Infestations
- Wildlife habitat improvement
- Increased air quality



Boise National Forest

- Planned Prescribed Burns: 8,578 acres
- Planned Mechanical: 1,184 acres
- Total planned treatments: 9,762 acres

For more information:

Mountain Home District: 208-587-7961
Idaho City District: 208-392-3721
Cascade District: 208-382-7400
Lowman District: 208-259-3361
Emmett District: 208-365-7000

Payette National Forest

- Planned Prescribed Burns: 15,100 acres
- Planned Mechanical: 1,983 acres
- Total planned treatments: 17,083 acres

For more information:

Krassel District: 208-634-0622
McCall/New Meadows Districts: 208-347-0345
Weiser & Council Districts: 208-253-0134

Sawtooth National Forest

- Planned Prescribed Burns: 9,933 acres
- Planned Mechanical: 10,687 acres
- Total planned treatment: 20,620 acres

For more information:

Fairfield District: 208-764-3202
SNRA & Ketchum District: 208-727-5000
Minidoka District: 208-678-0430



Idaho Department of Lands

Planned Prescribed Burns: 2,880 acres
Total planned treatment: 2,880 acres

For more information: 208-334-3488



Boise District BLM

Planned Prescribed Burns: 13,165 acres
Planned Mechanical: 48,818 acres
Total planned treatment: 61,983 acres

For more information: 208-384-3387

To view the interagency
Prescribed Fire Storymap
scan the QR code or visit:

<http://bit.ly/RxFireSWIdaho>



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